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ANNEXES TO THE PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT (ARTICLE 34 AMENDMENTS)

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR SUBSTITUTION OF REPLACEMENT SHEETS

Please substitute the attached (6) replacement sheets 39 - 44 of the claims containing the Article 34 Amendments for sheets 39-44 of the claims in the enclosed copy of the as-filed PCT application. It is respectfully requested that the claims in the replacement sheets be examined during examination of the patent application. Claims 1-26 are currently pending.

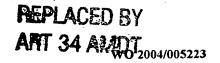
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CLAIMS

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- 1. The use of a phosphorus containing ligand as a ligand for a metathesis catalyst in a catalysed metathesis reaction wherein the phosphorus containing ligand is a heterocyclic organic compound with a ligating phosphorus atom as an atom in the heterocyclic ring structure of the heterocyclic organic compound.
- 2. The use of a phosphorus containing ligand in the preparation of a catalyst containing the ligand, which catalyst is for use in a metathesis reaction, wherein the phosphorus containing ligand is a heterocyclic organic compound with a ligating phosphorus atom as an atom in the heterocyclic ring structure of the heterocyclic organic compound.
- 3. The use of either one of claims 1 or 2 wherein the metathesis reaction is a homogenous metathesis reaction.

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- 4. The use of any one of the preceding claims wherein the phosphorus containing ligand comprises a phosphine ligand.
- 5. The use of claim 4 wherein the ligating phosphorus atom is also bound to a further moiety which is an organyl and which is not part of the heterocyclic ring structure.

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- 6. The use of any one of claims 1 to 5 wherein the heterocyclic organic compound comprises a bicyclic organic compound.
- 7. The use of any one of claims 1 to 4 wherein the phosphorus

 5 containing ligand is a 9-phosphabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane of formula

 2a or a 9-phosphabicyclo[4.2.1] nonane of formula 2b or mixtures thereof:



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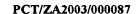


..... (2b)

wherein R₁ is H or an organyl.

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- 8. The use of claim 7 wherein R_1 is $-C_{20}H_{41}$.
- 9. The use of claim 7 wherein R_1 is cyclohexyl.
- 20 10. The use of any one of the preceding claims wherein the metathesis reaction is a reaction selected form the group







consisting of cross metathesis, ring-opening metathesis polymerisation and ring-closing metathesis.

- 11. A metathesis catalyst which includes a phosphorus containing ligand which is a heterocyclic organic compound with a ligating phosphorus atom as an atom in the heterocyclic ring structure of the heterocyclic organic compound.
- 12. A compound of formula 3:

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$$X \xrightarrow{1} R u = R'$$

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....(3)

wherein

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L₁ is a neutral electron donor ligand;

 L_2 is a phosphorous containing ligand in the form of a heterocyclic organic compound with a ligating phosphorus atom as an atom in the heterocyclic ring structure of the heterocyclic organic compound;

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 X_1 and X_2 are independently selected from an anionic ligand; and R and R are independently selected from H and an organyl.

13. The compound of claim 12 which is a homogeneous metathesis catalyst.





- 14. The compound of either one of claims 12 or 13 wherein L_1 is the same as L_2 .
- 15. The compound of any one of claims 12 to 14 wherein the phosphorus containing ligand of L₂ comprises a phosphine ligand.
- 16. The compound of claim 15 wherein L₂ is a 9-phosphabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane, of formula 2a, or a 9-phosphabicyclo[4.2.1] nonane of formula 2b or mixtures thereof:

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..... (2a)



...... (2b)

wherein R₁ is H or an organyl.

- 17. The compound of claim 16 wherein R₁ is -C₂₀H₄₁.
- 18. The compound of claim 16 wherein R_1 is cyclohexyl.







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- 19. The compound of any one of claims 12 to 18 wherein X_1 and X_2 are each independently selected from halide.
- 20. The compound of claim 12 which is a compound of formula 7:

wherein L_2 is the same or different and is as defined in claim 12.

10 21. The compound of claim 12 which is a compound of formula 8

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CH_3 & \\
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wherein L_2 is the same or different and is as defined in claim 12.

22. The compound of either one of claims 20 or 21 wherein L_2 is as defined in claim 16.



- 23. The use of a compound of any one of claims 12 to 21 in a metathesis reaction.
- 24. The use of claim 23 wherein the metathesis reaction is a homogeneous metathesis reaction selected from the group consisting of cross metathesis ring-opening metathesis polymerisation and ring-closing metathesis.
- 25. A catalysed metathesis reaction wherein at least one olefinic10 compound is subjected to metathesis in the presence of a compound of claim 12.
 - 26. The reaction of claim 25 wherein the compound of claim 12 is formed in situ.

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27. A metathesis product formed by the reaction of either one of claims 25 or 26.